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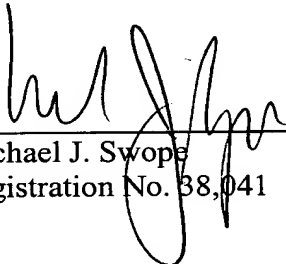
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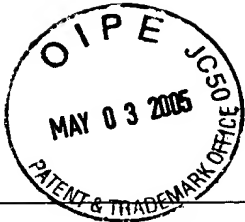
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<b>OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)</b>		
	1	<i>The Evolution of Microsoft Office</i> , pgs. 1-8
	2	<i>Visual Basic 5.0</i> was announced <b>February 3, 1997</b> . See e.g., <a href="http://www.microsoft.com/presspass/press/1997/Feb97/VB5PROpr.asp">http://www.microsoft.com/presspass/press/1997/Feb97/VB5PROpr.asp</a>
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